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Re: Patent Application Serial No. 09/475,548
Title: Medical Assembly With Transducer For Local Delivery Of A Therapeutic
Substance And Method Of Using Same
Inventors: Jeffrey A. Steward et al.

Dear Examiner Thanh:

Thank you for calling to alert me to the unsigned status of the Response to Office Action ("Response") mailed 7/27/01. My signature on the Response was inadvertently omitted. Per our conversation earlier today, enclosed please find page 11 of the Response properly signed and dated with today's date. This enclosure ratifies the amendment already filed. Please enter the Response in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.135(c) and MPEP 714.01(a).

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area," as recited by Claim 17. Allowance of Claim 17 is, therefore, requested. Claim 18 depends from Claim 17 and is accordingly allowable for the same reason.

With respect to Claim 19, i.e., the next independent claim, Briskin et al. fail to teach "the electronic signal...**oscillated approximately equal to the mechanical resonance frequency of the transducer,**" as recited by Claim 19. Allowance of Claim 19 is, therefore, requested. Claim 20 depends from Claim 19 and is accordingly allowable for the same reason.

Claims 21-33 have been added and are supported by the original disclosure. No new matter has been added. Allowance of Claims 21-33 is respectfully requested.


CONCLUSION

Pending Claims 1, 3-5, 7, 11-13, and 17-33 are allowable and allowance of the application is hereby solicited. If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned agent at (415)954-0235.

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Respectfully submitted,

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